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Internet of Things

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| RFC 2429 | RFC 2509 | RFC 2686 | RFC 2687 | RFC 2689 | RFC 3095 |
| RFC 3189 | RFC 3190 | RFC 3241 | RFC 3320 | RFC 3485 | RFC 3544 |
| RFC 3819 | RFC 3940 | RFC 3941 | RFC 4629 | RFC 5049 | RFC 5401 |
| RFC 5740 | RFC 5856 | RFC 5857 | RFC 5858 | RFC 6469 | RFC 6606 |
| RFC 6775 | RFC 7049 | RFC 7228 | RFC 7252 | RFC 7400 | RFC 7959 |
| RFC 8132 | RFC 8138 | | | | |

Bringing the Internet to new applications

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- “Application X will **never** run on the Internet”
 - ...
 - ...
 - “How do we turn off the remaining parts of X that **still** aren’t on the Internet”?

Internet of Things



Scale up:

Number of nodes

(xx billion by 2020)

Internet of Things



Scale down:

node

Internet of Things



Scale down:

cost

complexity

cent

kilobyte

megahertz

Constrained nodes: orders of magnitude

10/100 vs. 50/250



There is not just a single class of “constrained node”

Class 0: too small to securely run on the Internet

✗ “too constrained”

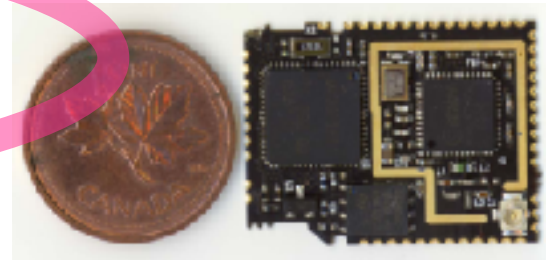
Class 1: ~10 KiB data, ~100 KiB code

✓ “quite constrained”, “10/100”

Class 2: ~50 KiB data, ~250 KiB code

✓ “not so constrained”, “50/250”

RFC 7228



These classes are not clear-cut, but may structure the discussion and help avoid talking at cross-purposes



Internet of Things?

IP = *Internet* Protocol



**“IP is
important”**
IP = *Integration Protocol*

IP: drastically reducing barriers

- **IP telephony** (1990s to 2018): replaced much of the special telephony hardware by routers and servers
 - several orders of magnitude in cost reduction
 - available programmer pool increases massively
 - What started as convergence, turned into **conversion**
- Everything is **not** the special snowflake it is said to be
- Now: **Internet of Things**

Hype-IoT

Real IoT

IPv4, NATs

IPv6

Device-to-Cloud

Internet

Gateways, Silos

Small Things
Loosely Joined

Questionable Security

Real Security

\$40+

< \$5

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mW, μ W

- **Device to cloud**
 - ▶ Add isolated nodes to existing LANs (e.g., WiFi)
 - ▶ Lots of “ants” (v4: You might see this in your CGNs)
 - ▶ v4: Reachability from outside requires keepalive (often UDP!)
- **Device to “gateway”/hub (...to cloud)**
 - ▶ Closer to other traffic we have today
 - ▶ Adds more periodic microflows to the mix
- **Device to device (“thing-to-thing”, general Internet connectivity)**
 - ▶ (v4: Behind the NAT, or lots of hole punching needed)

[RFC 7452]








... a properly networked world ... could be safer, greener, more efficient and more productive ... But in order for that to emerge, the system has to be designed in the way that the internet was designed in the 1970s – by **engineers who know what they're doing**, setting the protocols and technical standards that will bring some kind of order and security into the chaos of a technological stampede.

John Naughton, "The internet of things needs better-made things"
(The Guardian, 2016-07-10)



I E T F[®]

IETF: Constrained Node Network WG Cluster

| INT | LWIG | Guidance |
|-----|--|------------------------|
| INT | 6LoWPAN  | IP over 802.15.4 |
| INT | 6Lo | IP-over-foo |
| INT | 6TiSCH | IP over TSCH |
| INT |  LPWAN | Low-Power WAN Networks |
| RTG | ROLL | Routing (RPL) |
| APP | CoRE | REST (CoAP) + Ops |
| APP |  CBOR | CBOR & CDDL |
| SEC | DICE  | Improving DTLS |
| SEC | ACE | Constrained AA |
| SEC | COSE  | Object Security |

Technology

Traits

IEEE 802.15.4 (“ZigBee”)

Many SoCs, 0.9 or 2.4 GHz,
6TiSCH upcoming

2.4 GHz

Bluetooth Smart

On every Phone

DECT ULE

Dedicated Spectrum,
In every home gateway

1.8 GHz

ITU-T G.9959 (“Z-Wave”)

Popular @home

0.9 GHz

802.11ah (“HaLow”)

Low power “WiFi”

13.56 MHz

NFC

Proximity

6Loac

Wired (RS485)

IEEE 1901.2 (LF PLC)

Reuses mains power lines

Ethernet + PoE

Wired, supplies 12–60 W

WiFi, LTE, ...

Power?

Application Layer Protocols

- CoRE: Constrained **REST**ful Environments:
Replace HTTP by a less expensive equivalent (**CoAP**)
 - From special-purpose/siloed to **general purpose**
- ACE: Define Security less dependent on humans in the loop and on very fast upgrade cycles
 - Embrace the **multi-stakeholder** IoT

Application Layer Data Formats

- Industry move to **JSON** for data interchange
- Add **CBOR** where JSON is too expensive
- Use **JOSE** and **COSE** as the security formats
- Work on semantic interoperability (IRTF **T2TRG**), with W3C, OCF, OMA/IPSO (LWM2M), iot.schema.org, ...
→ **self-description**

Reducing TCO: Self-Description and Discovery

- Manually setting up 10^{11} nodes is a non-starter
- **Self-Description:**
IoT nodes support automatic integration
 - RFC 6690 /.well-known/core “**link-format**”
 - W3C WoT work on “Thing Description” ongoing
 - **Semantic Interoperability!**
- **Discovery:**
IoT nodes and their peers can find others
 - /.well-known/core exposes resources of a node
 - **Resource Directories** (with a bridge to DNS-SD)

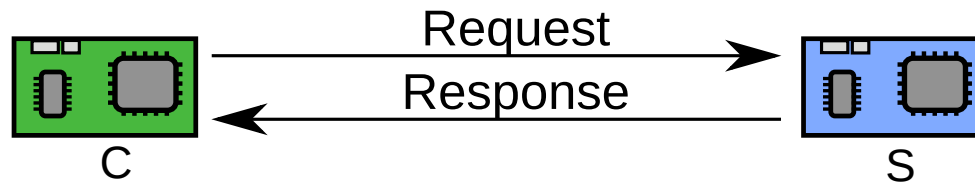
IoT Devices as a secure application

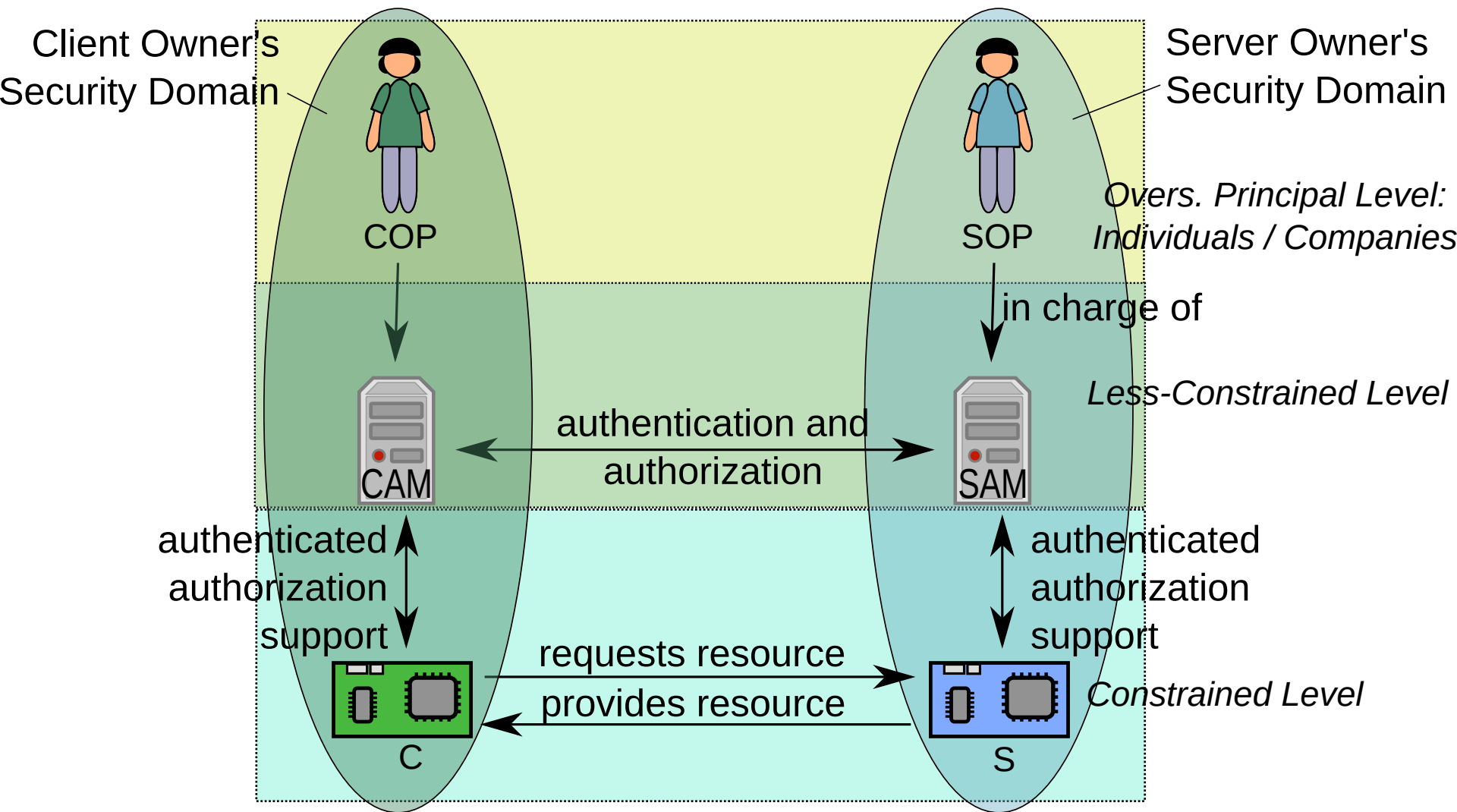
Protect the objectives right 

vs.

Protect the right objectives 

Now let's apply all this to constrained devices





Shaping the Security Workflows

- Stakeholders, Principals
- Less-constrained nodes
- Constrained nodes

- Device Lifecycle
- Authorized, authenticated delegation

IoT Devices as an attack platform

user duty

garage?

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vendor duty

CE • *regulation?* • UL

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jails

- Protect the network and other **unrelated** users against an IoT Device that may be insecure
- Idea: Document **expected behavior** in an actionable way
- MUD as standardized today:
Can be used for **firewall** configuration
 - ▶ Poke firewall holes for desirable traffic
 - ▶ **Detect** when the IoT Device has been compromised
- Where can we take this idea?

Software Updates are needed

- Bugs are being found
- Environments change
- ➔ Update or discard!
- Traditional: manual upgrade by connecting a special upgrader device (e.g., PC with upgrader app)
 - Too expensive; device might be hard to reach
- Needed: **Secure** Over-the-air Upgrade

If it is not **usably secure**,
it's not
the **Internet of Things**

